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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6220 NOTE PREPARED: Nov 15, 2002

BILL NUMBER: SB 30 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Employee Off-Duty Use of Tobacco.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Clark

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

 $\overline{\underline{X}}$ DEDICATED FEDERAL

Summary of Legislation: This bill repeals the prohibition against an employer: (1) limiting an employee's off-duty use of tobacco; or (2) discriminating against an employee with respect to compensation, benefits, or terms and conditions of employment based on an employee's off-duty use of tobacco.

Effective Date: July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: Court Fee Revenue: The prohibition's repeal would prevent a person from bringing a civil action against an employer in the event the employee is discriminated against due to the employee's off-duty use of tobacco. A portion of the \$100 civil filing fee is deposited in the state General Fund.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues: Court Fee Revenue: If there are fewer civil actions than what would have occurred absent this proposal, local governments would receive less revenue from the following sources. The county general fund receives 27% of the \$100 filing fee that is assessed in a court of record. Cities and towns maintaining a law enforcement agency that prosecutes at least 50% of its ordinance violations in a court of record receive 3% of court fees. If the case is filed in a city or town court, 20% of the court fee is deposited in the county general fund and 25% is deposited in the city or town general fund.

State Agencies Affected:

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Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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